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Subject: Update Release Notification - North Boeing
Field Fire Training Facility

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

Enclosed is a copy of the Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report for the North Boeing Field Fire Training Facility. This report is submitted to update the Department of Ecology (Ecology) concerning the subsurface impacts of petroleum hydrocarbons at the fire training facility.

The North Boeing Field Fire Training Facility has been used by Boeing fire personnel, as well as others, in training for aviation related fires since the early 1960's. The site is located on King County International Airport property at the north end of the airport runway. The Boeing Company had negotiated an easement with King County Airport for use of this property for such purposes. Although the easement expired in 1986, Boeing continued to use this facility for training exercises until late 1991.

A previous investigation conducted by Shannon and Wilson for The Boeing Company (report dated July 12, 1983) and reviewed by Ecology identified a release resulting from training activities associated with this facility. Ecology allowed Boeing to continue use of the facility for fire training exercises after reviewing the report.

Results of recent soil and groundwater sampling at the Fire Training Facility indicate that petroleum hydrocarbon levels in some soil samples exceed Model Toxic Control Act, Method A Cleanup Levels. Impacts are limited to the boundaries of the fire training pit and an area near the catchment basins designed to contain runoff from training activities.



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The Boeing Company is currently evaluating remedial options and preparing to discuss these options with King County Airport.

If you have any questions concerning this matter or need additional information, please call me or Brian Anderson at 477-2184.



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